Remarks

The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and that the case pass to issue in light of the amendments above and the remarks below. By this paper, previously pending claims 1-19 are canceled such that claims 20-22 are now pending. The claims stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over USPN 6,253,375 to Gordon in view of USPN 5,920,700 to Gordon.

Independent claim 20 relates to a system for on demand session and resource management in an on demand platform. The system includes a session manager, an on demand resource manager, an encryption resource manager, a network resource manager, and an edge resource manager. Each of the managers are a separate logical component that interfaces with the session manager. The session manager and the resource managers cooperate to form an architecture partitioned into logical components where each logical component interfaces with at least one other logical component through a defined interface. The Gordon patents fail to teach theses limitations.

The Gordon patents relate to interactive information distribution systems but they fail to teach a system having the claimed managers being separate logical components within a partitioned architecture. The present invention is directed towards the partitioning of the system. The claimed partitioning is believed to provide an innovative architecture having separate components and well-defined interfaces that allows components from different vendors to work together. The Gordon patents fail to address this need.

The Examiner even admits the failure of the Gordon patents to teach the claimed encryption resource manager. Official notice is taken that it would be well known within the art to include such a manager. The Applicants disagree. The Applicants filed the application precisely because it is not well known within in the art to partition on demand systems, let alone to partition on demand systems in the presently claimed manner where the claimed managers are separate, logically distinct components to that together comprise an on demand architecture

having a number of logical partitions. The Examiner is respectfully requested to provide support for the Official Notice and to demonstrate why it is well know within the art the partition an on demand architecture in the claimed manner.

The newly added claims are believed to be patentable for similar reasons. The Gordon patents fail to teach the claimed on demand system where each component includes a standardized interface and protocol to provide a modular partitioning of the on demand system at a logical level. As such, the Applicants respectfully submit the claims of te present invention are patentable and nonobvious over the Gordon patents.

In view of the foregoing, the Applicants respectfully submit that each rejection is fully replied to and traversed and that the case is in condition to pass to issue. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the case to issue and is invited to contact the undersigned if it would further prosecution of the case to issue.

Please charge the amount of $120.00 to cover the Petition fee and charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments as a result of the filing of this paper to our Deposit Account No. 02-3978.

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